

ABSTRACT

As a marking laser beam, a laser beam of wavelength 532nm obtained by extracting by extracting second higher harmonic of the Nd:YAG laser or a laser beam of wavelength 355 nm obtained by extracting third higher harmonic of the Nd:YAG laser is used on a metal film formed on a plastic key top of a mobile telephone or the like, so that the metal film portion subjected to the beam is completely removed or only the surface portion of the metal film subjected to the beam is removed, thereby forming a planar set of very small concave points. Thus, it is possible to obtain a key unit having a metal film on which a character or symbol is directly marked.